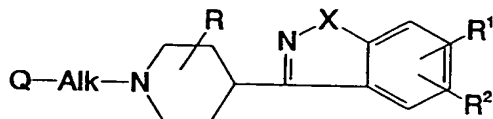


Abstract of the Disclosure

The invention relates to a pharmaceutical composition comprising a biodegradable and biocompatible microparticle composition comprising a 1,2-benzazole of the formula



and the pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts thereof, wherein

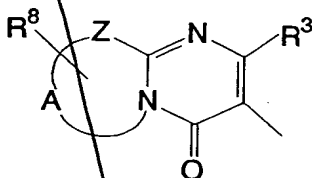
R is hydrogen or alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

R¹ and R² are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, alkyloxy of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, and C alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

X is O or S;

Alk is C₁₋₄ alkanediyl; and

Q is a radical of formula



wherein

R³ is hydrogen or alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

Z is —S—, —CH₂—, or —CR⁴=CR⁵—; where R⁴ and R⁵ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen or alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

A is a bivalent radical —CH₂—CH₂—, —CH₂—CH₂—CH₂— or CR⁶=CR⁷—; where R⁶ and R⁷ are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, amino or alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms; and

R⁸ is hydrogen or hydroxyl
within a polymeric matrix.

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